MEMORANDUM

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TO: Grays Harbor County, Planning Director Environmental Coordinator, DOE

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FROM: Jenifer Gitchell, SEPA Center

SUBJECT: SEPA LEAD AGENCY & MITIGATED

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

This is to advise you that pursuant to WAC 197-11-900 (922 through 948), the Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is Lead Agency for the following:

Rusty Ridge HOS Timber Sale #74371 and Forest Practice Application #2511066, is a continuation study of forest harvest options. This eight-unit sale includes 56 acres of evenaged harvest and 61 acres of uneven-aged harvest leaving differing amounts of leave trees as part of the study. There is no road work involved with the proposal. Located in Section(s) 19, 20, 29, and 30, Township 17 North, Range 04 West, W.M.

Information about this proposal including the Threshold Determination, SEPA Checklist and Forest Practice Application can be viewed on DNR's website at:

http://www.dnr.wa.gov/sepa

Pursuant to WAC 332-41-504, this proposal was filed in the department's SEPA Center at the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington, on June 17, 2003. We will consider comments on this proposed MDNS received by 4:30 p.m. on July 1, 2003. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, sepacenter@wadnr.gov or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please include the file number listed above on all comments.